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SUBJECT: MILLIKIN UNIVERSITY JAZZ LAB BAND

1. MILLIKIN UNIVERSITY JAZZ LAB BAND SCORED OUTSTANDING  
SUCCESS IN TOUR OF SPAIN. NOT ONLY ARE BAND MEMBERS  
PROFESSIONAL SOUNDING MUSICIANS, BUT EXCEPTIONALLY GOOD  
ENTERTAINERS AS WELL. IN EVERY CONCERT THEY ESTABLISHED  
EXCELLENT RAPPORT WITH AUDIENCE AND PROJECTED GREAT  
ENTHUSIASM AND SPIRIT. OFF-STAGE WERE VERY COOPERATIVE,  
COURTEOUS AND EASY TO WORK WITH.

2. TOUR BEGAN JANUARY 17 WITH IMPRESSIVE PERFORMANCE  
AT THE BARCELONA BNC BEFORE A NEAR CAPACITY AUDIENCE  
OF 250. TICKETS WERE DISTRIBUTED TO TOP LOCAL JAZZ CLUB  
MEMBERS, AMERICAN COMMUNITY, UNIVERSITY STUDENTS AND  
MEMBERS OF TARGET AUDIENCE. AS IN ITALY, BAND'S PRO-  
FESSIONAL SOUND COMBINED WITH ENTHUSIASM OF THE YOUNG  
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PERFORMERS BROUGHT CONTINUOUS APPLAUSE AND CALLS FOR  
FOUR ENCORES.

3. JANUARY 18 CONCERT IN ZARAGOZA UNDER JOINT SPONSOR-  
SHIP OF BNC BARCELONA AND ZARAGOZA CITY GOVERNMENT  
HELD ON THE UNIVERSITY CAMPUS. EXTENSIVE PUBLICITY  
RESULTED IN A FULL HOUSE 15 MINUTES BEFORE STARTING TIME. A

CAPACITY CROWD OF 600 UNIVERSITY AND HIGH SCHOOL YOUTHS (150 MORE HAD TO BE TURNED AWAY AT THE DOOR DUE TO LACK OF SPACE) CLAPPED AND CHEERED THE PERFORMANCE. MANY SHOWED FAMILIARITY WITH THE REPERTOIRE, APPLAUDING NUMBERS AS THEY WERE ANNOUNCED. LOCAL "RADIO YOUTH" JOURNALIST EXPRESSED PLANS TO DO A SHOW ON MILLIKIN BAND. DURING INTERMISSION AND AFTER THE CONCERT BAND MEMBERS CHEERFULLY ACKNOWLEDGED AUDIENCE REQUESTS FOR AUTOGRAPHS AND MORE INFORMATION ABOUT JAZZ AND THE INSTRUMENTS. CITY GOVERNMENT EXPRESSED DESIRE TO COLLABORATE ON MORE CONCERTS OF SIMILAR NATURE.

4. JANUARY 20 MADRID CONCERT HELD IN MODERN, ATTRACTIVE AUDITORIUM AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MADRID'S INSTITUTE OF PHYSICAL EDUCATION UNDER JOINT SPONSORSHIP OF USIS MADRID AND THE UNIVERSITY'S ASSOCIATION FOR THE FRIENDS OF MUSIC. ONCE THE STUDENT AUDIENCE OF 400 WARMED UP TO THE BAND, THEY DID NOT WANT TO LET THEM GO, AND ONLY DID SO RELUCTANTLY AFTER THREE ENCORES.

5. FINAL CONCERT JANUARY 21 IN SALAMANCA CO-SPONSORED BY USIS MADRID AND THE UNIVERSITY OF SALAMANCA. GOOD PUBLICITY FOR A FRIDAY NIGHT CONCERT IN A TOWN OF 80,000 STUDENTS FILLED THE CENTRALLY LOCATED 1,000 SEAT HALL. UNIVERSITY COMMUNITY AUDIENCE VERY IMPRESSED BY BAND'S EXCELLENCE.

6. BECAUSE BAND WAS UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE NUMEROUS UNCLASSIFIED

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REQUESTS FOR RECORDINGS, USIS MADRID AGREED TO CONSOLIDATE LOCAL ORDERS WHICH WILL BE SENT TO DIRECTOR SCHUELER. IN FUTURE POST SUGGESTS THAT BAND CARRY LARGER SUPPLY OF RECORDS FOR SALE AND PRESENTATION.

7. BAND TRAVELLED THROUGHOUT SPAIN ON LARGE 45 SEAT BUS WITH SEVERAL ROWS REMOVED TO ALLOW MORE BAGGAGE SPACE. REST OF EQUIPMENT AND LUGGAGE STORED IN LOWER COMPARTMENTS. ESCORT OFFICER WAS ESSENTIAL THROUGHOUT TOUR. STABLER

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